

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification, as follows.

In paragraph [0009] of the published application:

- - In order to achieve the object stated above, the present invention includes[[:]]
a first member in a plane having a keyboard operation portion;-and-a-second-member
having a display portion and attached to the first member via a coupling member
movable in a horizontal direction relative to the first member, the second member being
movable together with the coupling member in the horizontal direction relative to the first
member, the present invention characterized in that the second member is rotatably
attached to the coupling member so as to allow a side face or a rear face of the second
member to face forward after the coupling member moves in the horizontal direction
relative to the first member a coupling member connected to said first member so as to
be movable in said plane; and a second member pivotally attached to said coupling
member and movable into a pivotally supporting position to allow a side face and/or rear
face of said second member to be directed forward relative to said coupling member,
said second member having a display portion on a front face and a lens portion of a
camera on the side face and/or rear face; wherein said pivotally supporting position of
said second member is a position that said second member can rotate relative to said
coupling member about a pivot axis parallel to said plane, and after said coupling
member moves said second member in said plane relative to said first member to said
pivotally supporting position, said first member and said second member lie along a

straight line. - -

In paragraph [0010] of the published application:

- - The ~~present~~ invention may further include a rotating means with a friction mechanism for ~~rotatably~~-attaching ~~[[the]]~~said second member to the coupling member so as to be frictionally rotatable relative to said coupling member. In an embodiment, the friction mechanism comprises a shaft mutually rotatably connected with said coupling member and said second member; a washer interposed between said coupling member and said second member by inserting said washer onto said shaft through an insertion hole thereof; a first friction washer engaged with said coupling member by inserting said first friction washer onto said shaft through a through hole thereof; a flat washer engaged with said shaft by insert said flat washer onto said shaft through a deformable insertion hole thereof; a second friction washer engaged with said flat washer by inserting said second friction washer onto said shaft through a hole thereof and by interposing said second friction washer between said first friction washer and said flat washer; and a clamping nut screw-fitted to a male screw portion of said shaft and abutting with said flat washer.

In paragraph [0011] of the published application:

- - Further, in the present invention, the coupling member ~~may be~~ is attached to ~~[[the]]~~said first member to be slidable in one direction when the coupling member is attached to the first member to be movable in the horizontal direction relative to said

first member. - -

In paragraph [0012] of the published application:

- - The present invention may further include a slide mechanism with a pressing means for slidably attaching the coupling member to the first member so as to be slidable relative to said coupling member. In an embodiment, the pressing means comprises a hinge case fixedly inserted in a housing hole provided in said coupling member; a ball bearing mounted at one end of said hinge case so as to be rotatable and so as not to slide out of said hinge case, said ball bearing partially protrudes from said housing hole to create pressure contact with a top face of said first member; a seat member slidably housed in said hinge case and contacting said ball bearing; and a compression spring resiliently interposed between said seat member and a back portion of said hinge case. - -

In paragraph [0013] of the published application:

- - Further, in the present invention, the coupling member ~~may be~~ is attached to the first member to be rotatable in the horizontal direction when the coupling member is attached to the first member to be movable in the horizontal direction relative to said first member. - -

In paragraph [0014] of the published application:

- - The present invention may further include a rotating means with a friction mechanism for attaching the coupling member to the first member to be frictionally rotatable in the horizontal direction relative to the first member. In an embodiment, the friction mechanism comprises a shaft rotatably mutually connected with said coupling member and said first member; a washer interposed between said coupling member and said first member by inserting through said washer onto said shaft through an insertion hole thereof; a first friction washer engaged with said coupling member by inserting said first friction washer onto said shaft through a through hole thereof; a flat washer engaged with said shaft by inserting onto said flat washer onto said shaft through a deformable insertion hole thereof; a second friction washer engaged with said flat washer by inserting said second friction washer onto said shaft through a through hole thereof and by interposing said second friction washer between said first friction washer and said flat washer; and a clamping nut screw-fitted to a male screw portion of said shaft and abutting with said flat washer. - -

In paragraph [0015] of the published application:

- - Further, in the present invention, ~~the rotating means may have a shaft for attaching said second member to said coupling member so as to be rotatable relative to said coupling member comprises a through hole with a hollow portion~~ provided in an axial direction thereof and a lead wire ~~may pass~~ passes through an internal part of the ~~through hole hollow portion.~~ - -

In paragraph [0033] of the published application:

- - Hereinafter, a cellular phone as an embodiment of the present invention will be described, but the present invention may also be embodied as other portable terminals such as a pocket computer. From FIG. 1 to FIG. 9, the reference numeral 1 denotes a first member having a keyboard operation portion 1a and a microphone portion 1b. The reference numeral 2 denotes a second member having a display portion 2a and a speaker portion 2b provided on a front face side thereof and a lens portion 2c of a camera-portion 2e such as, for example, a CCD camera provided on a rear face side thereof. Incidentally, the ~~camera~~ lens portion 2c may be disposed on a side face. The second member 2 is attached to the first member 1 via a coupling member 3 to be slidable in one direction relative to the first member 1, and is also rotatably attached to the coupling member 3 via a later-described rotating means. - -

In paragraph [0036] of the published application:

- - The ball bearing 8 is supported by a seat ~~portion~~ member 9 slidably housed in the hinge case 7, and a compression spring 11 resiliently interposed between the seat ~~portion~~ member 9 and a stopper member 10 attached at a back portion of the hinge case 7 biases the ball bearing 8 together with the seat ~~portion~~ member 9 outward from the hinge case 7. Incidentally, this ball bearing 8 may be replaced by a pin or the like. - -

In paragraph [0037] of the published application:

- - A rotating means 12 for rotatably attaching the second member 2 to the coupling member 3 has a friction mechanism A as shown in, for example, FIG. 7. This friction mechanism A is composed of a shaft 13, a washer 14, first and second friction washers 15, 16, a flat washer 17, and a clamping nut 18. The shaft 13 is composed of a flange portion 13b, a deformable mounting portion 13c, a small-diameter portion 13d, a deformable portion 13e, and a male screw portion 13f, and the shaft 13 further has an insertion a through hole 13a provided in an axial direction at a center portion thereof so that it is hollow. The washer 14 is interposed between the second member 2 and the coupling member 3, with the deformable mounting portion 13c of the shaft 13 being engageably inserted to a deformable mounting hole 2e provided on a side of the case of the second member 2 and with the shaft 13 being inserted through an insertion hole 14a thereof provided in the axial direction at a center portion thereof. The first friction washer 15 and the second friction washer 16 are disposed with the small-diameter portion 13d of the shaft 13 being inserted through mounting holes 3c provided on the coupling member 3 side and with the small-diameter portion 13d being also inserted through insertion holes 15a, 16a provided in the axial direction at a center portions thereof. The flat washer 17 has a deformable insertion hole 17a provided in the axial direction at a center portion thereof, and through the deformable insertion hole 17a, the deformable portion 13e of the shaft 13 is engageably inserted. The clamping nut 18 is screw-fitted to the male screw portion 13f. Note that the first friction washer 15 has a lock piece 15b and the rotation of the first friction washer 15 is restrained by the second member 2 when the lock piece 15b is locked in a lock groove 3e provided on the coupling member

3 side, and the second friction washer 16 has a lock piece 16b and the rotation of the second friction washer 16 is restrained by the shaft 13 when the lock piece 16b is locked in a lock groove 17b provided in the flat washer 17 side. Further, lead wires 19 electrically or optically connecting the first member 1 and the second member 2 are inserted through the ~~insertion~~ through hole 13a of the shaft 13. - -

In paragraph [0042] of the published application:

- - As for the rotation operation, it is preferable that the second member 2 is not continuously rotated in the same direction but rotated in a reverse direction to return to its original position after 180.degree. rotation, especially in a case where the lead wires 19 are inserted through the ~~insertion~~ through hole 13a of the shaft 13. - -

In paragraph [0043] of the published application:

- - In a case where a lens portion 2c of a camera is also attached on the side face of the second member 2, the ~~camera~~ lens portion 2c can be directed forward after the second member 2 is rotated 90.degree. relative to the coupling member 3 as shown in FIG. 3. In a case where ~~the lens portion 2c a camera~~ the lens portion 2c is attached on the rear face of the second member 2, the ~~camera~~ lens portion 2c can be directed forward after the second member 2 is rotated 180.degree. relative to the coupling member 3 as shown in FIG. 8. - -

In paragraph [0052] of the published application:

- - As for the rotation operation, it is preferable that the second member 21 is not continuously rotated in the same direction but rotated in a reverse direction to return to its original position after 180.degree. rotation, especially in a case where the lead wires 19 are inserted through the ~~insertion~~ through hole 13a of the shaft 13 as shown in FIG. 7. - -

In paragraph [0053] of the published application:

- - In a case where a a lens portion of a camera is also attached on the side face of the second member 21, the camera can be directed forward after the second member 21 is rotated 90.degree. relative to the coupling member 22 as shown in FIG. 13. In a case where a lens portion camera is attached on the rear face of the second member 21, the camera lens portion 21c can be directed forward after the second member 21 is rotated 180.degree. relative to the coupling member 22 as shown in FIG. 14. - -